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Majority prices were generally unchanged when compared to the previous week. Trade sentiment was mixed, but mostly steady. Retail and food service demand following the extended holiday weekend was mostly light to moderate. Supplies of all sizes were more than sufficient to handle trade needs. Processing schedules were part time with some plants down yesterday for the holiday. In the parts structure, movement was light to moderate. Wings were well cleared to tight, and breast items were in a better position, but still available. Dark meat items were mixed with boneless cuts moving slightly better. In production areas, live supplies were moderate; weights were desirable to heavy, but mostly desirable.

Final Report of prices negotiated for trucklot sales of ready-to-cook ice-packed broiler/fryers (includes branded product) to be delivered to first receivers at major market centers week of 16-JAN-2006.

(cents per lb) US GRADE A		COMPOSITE			
AREAS	MAJORITY	WTD AVG	LOADS	WTD AVG	LOADS
Boston/New England	TFEWR		:	61.94	26
Chicago	52.00-55.00	55.85	39 :	57.37	72
Ohio Cities	TFEWR		:	51.09	25
Denver	76.50	76.50	12 :	77.23	13
Detroit	54.00-56.00	60.25	8 :	60.31	61
Los Angeles	77.00	74.96	54 :	68.87	141
New York	55.00-58.00	56.87	23 :	60.27	56
Philadelphia	54.50-56.00	55.42	12 :	55.33	23
Pittsburgh	54.00-57.00	55.92	12 :	62.22	57
St. Louis	54.00-54.25	53.66	20 :	55.72	35
San Francisco	77.50	76.79	31 :	79.86	55

Composite Weighted Average

Loads	01/16/06	Change/Last Wk	01/09/06	01/17/05
564	63.21	-.18	63.39	72.05

WOG BROILERS (without giblets) - prices paid per lb delvd to first receivers in trucklot and less than trucklot quantities.

REGIONS	Majority	Wtd Avg	Loads
Eastern	58.00-60.00	59.12	34
Central	50.00-60.00	59.09	74
Western	57.00-64.00	63.26	34

Southeast Area FOB Dock Equivalent

Mississippi	67.00-71.00	68.88	90
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GEORGIA F.O.B. DOCK PRICES Georgia f.o.b. dock quoted price on broilers/fryers for this week's trading is 70.00 cents based on ice-packed USDA grade "A" sized 2 1/2 to 3 pound birds.

LOADS	RANGE	MONDAY FINAL WTD AVG FOB DOCK OR EQUIVALENT
1,099	53.00-72.00	69.58
The Georgia f.o.b. dock confirmed final weighted average prices on ice packed parts:		
	WTD AVG	VOLUME
LINE RUN TENDERS	138.00	1,334
BREASTS - B/S	107.50	5,465
BREASTS - WHOLE	58.50	1,436
THIGH MEAT - B/S	94.50	958
LEG QUARTERS	27.50	7,857
WINGS	96.50	2,799

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NORTHEAST REGION BROILER/FRYER Trucklot buying interest was fair to moderate following the extended holiday weekend. Offerings were at least sufficient for current trade needs. Movement through retail and distributive channels was mostly fair. The market tone was about steady. In the parts complex, wings were well cleared to tight. Breast items were adequate and clearing satisfactorily. Dark meat cuts were adequate.

SOUTHERN REGION BROILER/FRYERS Trade sentiment was mostly steady. Demand following the weekend was fair to moderate with mixed trading. Supplies of all sizes were usually sufficient to handle trade needs. Processing schedules were mixed with some plants down yesterday for the King Holiday. In the parts structure, trading was light to moderate and improved. Wings were in the best position with supplies balanced to well cleared, and fronts were adequate to close. All other breast items and dark meat was adequate or available and more manageable than previous week. In production areas, live supplies were moderate at mostly desirable weights.

WESTERN REGION BROILER/FRYERS Final majority prices were unchanged. Reported trading was at generally unchanged prices. Offerings were fully adequate overall, with heavy weights in the longest position. Retailer demand was moderate overall, fairly good where featured or specials planned. Dealers reported satisfactory weekend clearances. The Los Angeles negotiated WOG weighted average was 59.35 down .38, with volume reported at 26 loads unchanged.

MIDWEST REGION BROILER/FRYER Final majority prices were unchanged from last Monday's final; Ohio cities TFEWR. The trade sentiment on broiler/fryers was steady on adequate offerings. Retail and food service movement was light to moderate. Floor stocks were in balance to instances long, weights in a desirable. Supplies of wings were tight to short of needs; balance of items adequate to closely balanced. The market tone was firm on wings, fully steady to firm boneless dark meat cuts; steady to fully steady on bone-in dark meat cuts; and barely steady on breast items.

DELMARVA BROILER/FRYERS Movement of ready-to-cook whole birds was seasonally fair to moderate. Seller offerings were fully adequate. Live supplies were at least moderate; weights were mostly desirable to heavy. Processor schedules were moderately heavy. Less than trucklot asking prices were unchanged at 56 to 70 cents. Trade sentiment was about steady. In the parts complex, supplies were adequate to tight for immediate delivery. Wings, were generally well cleared to short.

*BROILER/FRYER CURRENT NEGOTIATED PRICES FOR IMMEDIATE DELIVERY INCLUDES MOSTLY MULTIPLE-DROP SHIPMENTS OF BRANDED AND WING TAGGED TO NEW YORK CITY FROM DELMARVA

BRANDED U.S. GRADE A	
RANGE	49-71
WEIGHTED AVERAGE	(A)
NO. OF BOXES	(A)

(A) Not reported to avoid disclosing individual operations

NORTHEAST BROILER/FRYER PARTS Trucklot buying activity was mostly moderate following the holiday weekend. Offerings of breast items were noted in a better balance and was generally sufficient for current trade needs. Dark meat cuts remained adequate to at least adequate. Wings were well cleared. Retail and distributive movement was fair to moderate, best where scattered feature activity was noted. The market tone was fully steady to firm for wings; steady to at least steady for breast cuts. The balance of items were generally steady. ICE PACKED BROILER/FRYER PARTS, DELIVERED TO FIRST RECEIVERS IN POOL TRUCKLOT AND TRUCKLOT QUANTITIES, CENTS PER POUND

ITEM	CURRENT NEGOTIATED TRADING*	WTD AVG**	VOLUME LBS
BREAST - B/S	100	94.54	587,040
TENDERLOINS	90-95	98.33	190,166
BREAST - WITH RIBS	51-52	59.85	108,800
BREAST - LINE RUN	51	51.00	90,000
LEGS	39-40	39.32	171,080
LEG QUARTERS (BULK)	22-23	23.79	320,360
DRUMSTICKS	29-30	31.90	131,180
THIGHS	32-33	39.46	97,180
B/S THIGHS	99-100	93.33	121,700
WINGS (WHOLE)	97-98	95.80	158,860
BACKS AND NECKS (STRIPPED)	10-12	11.98	21,000
LIVERS (5 POUND TUBS)	50-55	48.81	16,665
GIZZARDS (HEARTS)	70-75	74.62	21,360

INCLUDES NEW YORK CITY METROPOLITAN AREA, NORTHERN NEW JERSEY, MASSACHUSETTS, CONNECTICUT, RHODE ISLAND, AND PENNSYLVANIA (NORTHEAST OF HARRISBURG).

* TODAY'S NEGOTIATED SALES AS OF 11:30 A.M.

** WEIGHTED AVERAGE PRICE OF ALL GRADES AND BRANDS OF PRODUCT SHIPPED, OR TO BE SHIPPED AS OF 1:30 P.M.

ARKANSAS BROILER/FRYER PARTS F.O.B. DOCK OR EQUIVALENT, ICED-PACKED, PRICES SHOWN ARE DAY OF SHIPMENT (INCLUDES CURRENT AND PRIOR NEGOTIATIONS), TRUCKLOT AND LESS THAN TRUCKLOT VOLUME, CENTS PER POUND.

ITEM	LBS (000)	RANGE	MAJORITY	WT. AVG
BREAST - B/S	1,308	80.00-180.00	-	107.26
TENDERLOINS	615	85.00-175.00	85	88.32
BREAST - WITH RIBS	TOO FEW TO REPORT			
FRONT HALVES	TOO FEW TO REPORT			
LEGS	TOO FEW TO REPORT			
LEG QUARTERS (BULK)	2,177	21.00-27.00	21	21.25
LEG QUARTERS (4/10)	455	22.00-28.00	27	25.27
WINGS (WHOLE)	723	85.00-107.00	-	98.98
DRUMSTICKS	TOO FEW TO REPORT			
THIGHS	1,884	21.00-34.00	25	24.38

ESTIMATED SLAUGHTER OF BROILER-FRYERS (IN THOUSANDS)

	Estimate (1,000)	Actual (1,000)	Avg Wts	Actual (1,000)	Avg Wts
	01/17	01/13	01/13	01/10	01/06
Alabama	3,920	3,991	5.24	4,004	5.15
Arkansas	5,379	5,786	5.27	5,258	5.36
Delmarva	2,318	2,828	5.68	2,331	6.08
KY-LA-TN	2,293	2,911	5.33	2,191	5.12
Mississippi	2,980	3,216	5.78	2,853	5.65
North Carolina	2,573	3,547	6.85	2,517	6.91
Texas	2,511	2,523	5.15	2,524	5.39
Total	21,974	24,802	5.60	21,678	5.66
Mon-Tue	37,968 (A)			45,064 (A)	

(A) Weekly cumulative for states listed above.

Broiler-fryer slaughter under federal inspection for 17-Jan 2005

is estimated to be 32,876,000 up 1.06 percent from a week ago.

and up 5.0 percent from a year ago.

(last week 32,530,000 last year 31,312,000)

SOUTHERN STATES BROILER/FRYER PARTS F.O.B. DOCK OR EQUIVALENT, ICED-PACKED, PRICES SHOWN ARE DAY OF SHIPMENT (INCLUDES CURRENT AND PRIOR NEGOTIATIONS), TRUCKLOT AND LESS THAN TRUCKLOT VOLUME, CENTS PER POUND.

ITEM	POUNDS (000)	RANGE	MAJORITY	WTD AVG
BREAST - B/S	585	80.00-149.00	83-87	87.92
TENDERLOINS	213	70.00-139.00	-	81.98
BREAST - LINE RUN	127	50.00-63.00	52-55	53.57
FRONT HALVES	TOO FEW TO REPORT			
LEGS	258	30.00-48.00	31-33	33.35
LEG QUARTERS (BULK)	588	18.00-25.00	20-21	20.65
LEG QUARTERS (4/10)	1,199	20.00-30.00	22-24	22.97
WINGS (WHOLE)	307	85.00-102.00	84-89	91.27
WINGS (CUT)	325	109.00-115.00	110-112	111.49
DRUMSTICKS	TOO FEW TO REPORT			
THIGHS	TOO FEW TO REPORT			
B/S THIGHS	TOO FEW TO REPORT			

WHOLE BODY INDEX BASED ON SOUTHERN STATES PARTS
TRADING FOR JANUARY 17, 2005 — F.O.B. DOCK.

RANGE	TODAY'S AVERAGE
35.50 - 40.50	37.40

The Index is intended solely as an indicator of values for commodity-type product and does not represent industry's willingness to sell or ability to buy.

MIDWEST REGION BROILER/FRYER PARTS ICE-PACKED POOL TRUCKLOT AND TRUCKLOT QUANTITIES DELIVERED TO IL, IN, IA, KS, MI, MN, MO, NE, ND, OH, SD, AND WI WEEK OF 16-JAN-2005 TO 20-JAN-2006, CENTS PER POUND

	Price Per Lb.	Mostly
BREAST - B/S	80.00 - 108.00	85.00 - 98.00
BREAST - LINE RUN	49.00 - 74.00	53.00 - 56.00
LEGS	32.00 - 44.00	-
LEG QUARTERS (BULK)	18.00 - 32.00	24.00 - 26.00
LEG QUARTERS (4/10)	24.00 - 34.00	26.00 - 28.00
DRUMSTICKS	25.00 - 37.00	-
THIGHS	29.00 - 31.00	-
WINGS (WHOLE)	88.00 - 111.00	97.00 - 100.00
BACKS AND NECKS (STRIPPED)	12.00 - 23.00	-
LIVERS	30.00 - 50.00	-
GIZZARDS (HEARTS)	40.00 - 70.00	-

SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA (L.A. AREA) PROCESSED POULTRY, DELIVERED TO RESTAURANTS AND INSTITUTIONS

	RANGE
WOGS 2# & UP - WHOLE	82.5-100.5
WOGS 2# & UP - CUT UP 8&9 PIECES	86-103

FROZEN HENS 5# & UP

FROZEN DUCKS

FROZEN SQUABS

DELIVERED TO RETAILERS IN SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA (L.A. AREA)

FRESH FRYERS	97-99
ROASTERS 4# & UP	99-108
HENS UNDER 5#	
HENS OVER 5#	65-73

DUCKS

RABBITS-WHOLE

RABBITS-CUT UP

SAN FRANCISCO PROCESSED POULTRY

DELIVERED TO RESTAURANTS AND INSTITUTIONS

	RANGE
FRESH FRYERS	DRY PACK 114
	ICE PACK 89-105
ROASTERS 4# & UP	DRY PACK 118
	ICE PACK 100
HENS OVER 5#	DRY PACK 109
	ICE PACK 88-102
DUCKS	185-190

EASTERN REGION MECHANICALLY SEPARATED CHICKEN

F.O.B. SHIPPER DOCK OR EQUIVALENT, PRICES NEGOTIATED FOR MECHANICALLY SEPARATED CHICKEN IN THE EASTERN REGION IN TRUCKLOT AND LESS THAN TRUCKLOT VOLUMES, CENTS PER POUND, DELIVERY WITHIN TWO WEEKS.

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CHICKEN WITH SKIN ADDED — **PRICES** — **VOLUME** —
(Cents per Pound)

FAT CONTENT	FROZEN	FRESH	TOTAL	EXPORT
15% OR LESS				
RANGE	-	17.00-18.00	360,000	-
WTD AVERAGE		17.56		
15-20%				
RANGE	17.00-21.00	14.50-17.00	2,084,000	1,404,000
WTD AVERAGE	18.94	15.68		
20% OR MORE				
RANGE	-	14.00	80,000	-
WTD AVERAGE		14.00		

* INCLUDES THE STATES of CT, DE, FL, GA, MA, MD, ME, NC, NH, NJ, NY, PA, RI, SC, VA, VT, WV

CENTRAL REGION MECHANICALLY SEPARATED CHICKEN

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JANUARY 13, 2006

CHICKEN WITH SKIN ADDED — **PRICES** — **VOLUME** —
(Cents per Pound)

FAT CONTENT	FROZEN	FRESH	TOTAL	EXPORT
15% OR LESS				
RANGE	-	20.00	40,800	-
WTD AVERAGE		20.00		
15-20%				
RANGE	16.50-21.00	11.00-16.00	1,017,000	264,800
WTD AVERAGE	18.88	13.75		
20% OR MORE				
RANGE	-	-	-	-
WTD AVERAGE				

* INCLUDES THE STATES of AL, AR, IA, IL, IN, KS, KY, LA, MI, MN, MO, MS, ND, NE, OK, OH, SD, TN, TX, WI

SOUTHEAST HEAVY LIVE HEN Majority prices were unchanged when compared to a week earlier. Demand was fair to no better than moderate for the mostly adequate offerings. Processing schedules were noted as normal to less than normal due to some planned down time taken in observance of the holiday. Sales of finished product ranged light to moderate. The undertone was generally steady.

HEAVY TYPE HENS (7 POUNDS AND UP) *

FINAL PRICE, CENTS PER LB., GENERALLY FOR SLAUGHTER THE WEEK OF 16-JAN-06

	RANGE	MAJORITY	WTD AVG
AT FARM BUYER LOADING	9.75-15	11-13	12.15
AT FARM PRODUCER LOADING		TOO FEW TO REPORT	
FOB PLANT		TOO FEW TO REPORT	

*WEIGHTS UNDER 7 LBS. SUBJECT TO DISCOUNT.

SOUTH CENTRAL HEAVY LIVE HEN Majority prices were unchanged from the past week. Demand was moderate for adequate offerings of spent heavy hens. Schedules were reduced. Finished sales were slow. Trade sentiment was about steady.

HEAVY TYPE HENS (7 POUNDS AND UP) *

PRELIMINARY PRICE, CENTS PER LB., GENERALLY FOR SLAUGHTER THE WEEK OF 16-JAN-06

	RANGE	MAJORITY	WTD AVG
AT FARM BUYER LOADING	9-15.5	11-13	12.10

*WEIGHTS UNDER 7 LBS. SUBJECT TO DISCOUNT.

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